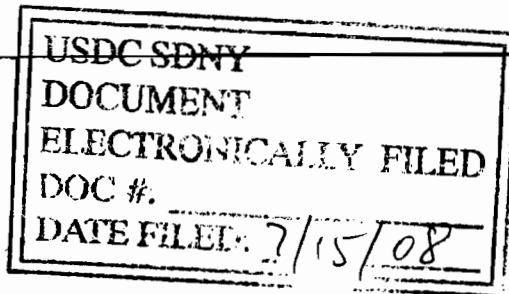




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Honorable Alvin K. Hellerstein  
United States District Judge  
United States District Court  
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New York, New York 10007

Re: Doneea Kinred v. Astrue  
07 Civ. 9232 (AKH)

Dear Judge Hellerstein:

We write respectfully to request, with the consent of plaintiff's counsel, that the Government be permitted to file a reply brief in the above-referenced Social Security case by August 1, 2008. Plaintiff moved for judgment on the pleadings in this case, the Government opposed the motion and filed a cross-motion for judgment on the pleadings, and, on June 30, 2008, plaintiff filed an opposition to the Government's motion. No date was previously set for the Government's reply brief on its motion. The reason we are requesting the setting of a date for the Government's reply brief at this time is that plaintiff had requested until July 26, 2008, to file her opposition brief, but filed it early, and the undersigned has been on vacation for the past ten days. We appreciate the Court's consideration of this request.

Respectfully,

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